

**ZONING COMMISSION FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

TIME AND PLACE: **Thursday, March 31, 2005, 7:00 P.M.**
 Office of Zoning Hearing Room
 441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 220-South
 Washington, D.C. 20001

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING:

**Case No. 05-01 (Text Amendment –Designating Adult Development Centers as a Use
Permitted by Special Exception or as a Matter of Right-- 11 DCMR)**

THIS CASE IS OF INTEREST TO ALL ANCs

The Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia initiated this proceeding in order to address an issue that arose during a Board of Zoning Adjustment proceeding. The text amendment under consideration would allow Adult Development Centers under the same circumstances as Child or Elderly Development Centers are permitted. At its regular Public Meeting held January 13, 2005, the Commission voted to setdown this case for public hearing and waived its rule of procedure that requires receipt of an Office of Planning report prior to taking such action. In response to the Commission's inquiry, the Office of Planning indicated that it would serve as the Petitioner at the hearing. The Zoning Commission also authorized the publication of a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for this proceeding. That Notice appears elsewhere in this edition of the *D.C. Register*.

The proposed text amendment is as follows:

NEW LANGUAGE INDICATED IN BOLD; DELETED LANGUAGE IN STRIKETHROUGH.

Title 11 DCMR (Zoning Regulations) is amended as follows:

- A. Amend Chapter 1, THE ZONING REGULATIONS, § 199, Definitions, to modify the definitional terms "Caregiver:" and "Child/Elderly Development Center" to read as follows:

Caregiver - an individual who is responsible for the supervision and administration of a child development home or child/adult/elderly development center.

Child/Adult/Elderly development center - a building or part of a building, other than a community based residential facility, child development home or elderly day care home, used for the licensed care, education, counseling, or training of individuals-fifteen (15) years of age or less and/or for care of elderly individuals or individuals with disabilities, totaling six (6) or more persons, who are not related by blood or marriage to

the caregiver and who are present for less than twenty-four (24) hours per day. This definition encompasses facilities generally known as child care centers, pre-schools, nursery schools, before-and-after school programs, day treatment centers, senior care centers, elder care programs, and similar programs and facilities. A child/adult/elderly development center includes the following accessory uses: counseling; education, training, and health and social services for the person or persons with legal charge of individuals ~~parents or principal guardians of children~~ attending the center, including, but not limited, to any parent, spouse, sibling, child or legal guardian of such individuals.

B. Chapter 2, R-1 RESIDENCE DISTRICT USE REGULATIONS, § 205; Child\ Elderly Development Centers (R-1), is amended by:

1. Changing the Section's title to: "Child/Adult/Elderly Development Centers (R-1)";
2. Striking the term "child/elderly" wherever it appears and inserting the term "child/adult/elderly" in its place; and
3. By amending § 205.3 to read as follows:

205.3 The center shall be located and designed to create no objectionable traffic condition and no unsafe condition for picking up and dropping off ~~children or elderly~~ persons attending the center.

C. Chapter 3, §§ 330.5 (d) and (e) and 350.4 (g); Chapter 5, § 501.1(g); Chapter 6, § 601.2 (c); Chapter 9, § 901.1 (t); Chapter 21; § 2101.1; and Chapter 31, § 3104.1 are amended by striking the term "child/elderly" wherever it appears and inserting the term "child/adult/elderly" in its place.

This public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the rulemaking case provisions of the Zoning Regulations, 11 DCMR § 3021. The Commission will impose time limits on the testimony presented to it at the public hearing.

All individuals, organizations, or associations wishing to testify in this case should file their intention to testify in writing. Written statements, in lieu of personal appearances or oral presentations, may be submitted for inclusion in the record and will be deemed as also responding to the separately published Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

Information responsive to this notice should be forwarded to the Director, Office of Zoning, Suite 210, 441 4th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, YOU MAY CONTACT THE OFFICE OF ZONING AT (202) 727-6311.**

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